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Dear Herman:

Sorry I couldn't answer your letters sooner: I was travelling around the country and just got back. I'm sorry you couldn't manage Boris at this time. Despite Bernie's reaction, he would be a tremendous asset to you. I can understand Bernie's reaction, however: you have to see Boris at work in a lab to appreciate him! But you have to be congratulated on the other people you have limed up.

Esther will prepare the resume: on Galq as soon as she catches her breath. Unfortunately we have not run into any temperature—sensitive Gal mutants yet, but we have our eyes open.

We have a number of Gal mutants in Salmonella, but are unable to make a distron analysis of them as in E. coli, since heterogenotes are not formed. If you would like to screen them enzymatically anyhow let me know how many you can handle. Keep in mind these are pathogenic.

I'm afraid I won't be able to come to the ACS meeting in September. But thanks for the invitation. I don't see that Conrat or Zamerhof really have very much to say on your topic. Why include them if you don't really want to?

As ever,